

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: OCTOBER 14, 2009

SUBJECT:

WELCOME BY HOST CITY

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

Submitted after Meeting – Excerpts of the Nevada Local Government Summit by the City of Henderson

Minutes:

As the Host City for the first Nevada Local Government Summit, MAYOR HAFEN emphasized the importance of this momentous occasion. He urged all officials to discuss and share their experiences and ideas related to legislation, explaining exactly what it means and how it would be beneficial to the residents of the State. He further stated that this would be an opportune time for local government to endorse and focus on cohesive partnerships in an effort to resolve the State's multiple problems.

MAYOR HAFEN commented that in 22 years of public service, this is the first time that the City of Henderson has had to resort to cuts in customer service, yet, deeper cuts may soon be required. He looked to this Summit as a means of better understanding what other entities are doing to ensure public safety, provide services for taxpayers, children, and local businesses, all of whom drive the local economy.

Without calling for a special session, MAYOR HAFEN credited the Legislature for keeping a close look on the bailouts and stimulus packages as they sought to find workable solutions. He remarked that raising taxes is robbing Peter to pay Paul. There needs to be clarity as to what the State needs to provide and what the Cities and Counties need to provide.